

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 3725-98

2 June 1999



Dear ...

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 2 June 1999. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion furnished by Headquarters Marine Corps dated 23 June 1998, a copy of which is enclosed.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The record shows that you were involuntarily discharged on 19 January 1995. At that time you had completed 10 years, 1 month and 22 days of active service. You reenlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve on 20 January 1995 in the grade of SGT (E-5). Subsequently, you discovered that your service record had been erroneously sent to the Federal Records Center in St. Louis, Missouri and the required computer entries had not been made to show that you were a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. You contend that because of this error, you were unable to earn any retirement points and could not be considered by promotion boards. You are requesting that you be credited with the required points and authorized remedial consideration for promotion.

It is unclear from the record when the records were corrected to show you were a member of the Marine Corps Reserve, but a Career Retirement Credit Report (CRCR) of 9 July 1997 indicated that you were a member of the reserves. Additionally, a CRCR, dated 1 June 1999, shows that you never earned any retirement points after your discharge from the Marine Corps on 19 January 1995. The Board believed that if you were serious about earning points

you would have begun doing so as soon as the system showed you were a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. Finally, the CRCR indicates that you were discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve on 10 June 1998.

Given the fact that you apparently never made any effort to correct the situation by beginning to earn retirement points and since you have been discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve, the Board concluded that further crediting of retirement points was not warranted.

Concerning your request for remedial consideration for promotion, the Board noted that even if you were selected for promotion you could not be promoted if you are not a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. Therefore, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director

Enclosure



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

Subj: ADVISORY OPINION IN THE CASE OF

- 1. Sergeant Quesenberry alleges he was erroneously dropped from the Marine Corps Total Force System (MCTFS) on 19 January 1995 as he transferred to the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) from active duty. He feels that because his reenlistment had not been run in the MCTFS, he could not drill or perform active duty time. Accordingly, he requests that he receive drill points for training and remedial consideration for promotion to the rank of staff sergeant.
- 2. All Marines in the IRR must be recommended for selection consideration by the Marine Corps Reserve Support Center. As did not have the minimum required 27 drill points for the time frame 951001 to 960930, he was not eligible for promotion consideration. Therefore he is not eligible for remedial consideration for promotion.
- 3. Recommend that his petition be denied.

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Promotion Branch
By direction of

the Commandant of the Marine Corps